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SUBJECT: MAURITIAN REQUEST FOR AALC ASSISTANCE

REF.: AMB. LETTER OF AUGUST 18

1. SUBSTANCE OF LETTER PASSED TO DAVID BROMBART, AALC
REP FOR FRANCOPHONE AFRICA AND PREVIOUS VISITOR TO
MAURITIUS.

2. BROMBART LETTER OF SEPTEMBER 16 TO MINLABOR RAMNARAIN
STATES AALC STUDYING POSSIBILITY OF SENDING REPRESENTATIVE
TO MAURITIUS EARLY NEXT YEAR. NOTED THAT AALC AT STAND-
STILL IN COOPERATIVE EFFORTS WITH MLC, BUT HAD DISCUSSED
MATTER WITH JAGDAMBI AT JUNE ILO CONFERENCE. BROMBART
ALSO EXPRESSED INTEREST IN ASSISTING WITH MINISTRY OF
LABOR PROJECTS SUCH AS VOCATIONAL TRAINING. CONCLUDED
BY REQUESTING MEMORANDUM ON CURRENT TRADE UNION SITU-
ATION WHICH WOULD FACILITATE PLANNING OF VISIT.

3. BROMBART ALSO REQUESTED MEETING IN MID-OCTOBER WITH
MAURITIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE UN RABETAFIKA TO DISCUSS
POSSIBILITY OF VISIT. STATED PURPOSE IS TO MEET WITH GOM

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OFFICIALS, PARTICULARLY MINLABOR, AND VARIOUS TRADE UNION

ORGANIZATIONS.

4. FYI: RAMNARAIN WELL-REGARDED BY AALC. AALC WOULD LIKE TO RESUME PROGRAM IN MAURITIUS WITH DEMONSTRABLE TRADE UNION, WORKERS EDUCATION, COOPERATIVE PROJECTS. DO NOT WISH TO LEAVE FIELD TO BERENGER AND MMM. DECISION ON VISIT AND POSSIBLE FUTURE PROGRAMS DEPENDENT UPON RESPONSE FROM RAMNARAIN. AT YOUR DISCRETION YOU MAY INFORM HIM AALC LETTER ON ITS WAY. HABIB

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